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INFORMATION REQUEST RESPONSE

United States Environmental Protection Agency
Region 4, SD-SECEB 11th Floor
61 Forsyth Street S.W.
Atlanta, GA 30303

Dear Ms. Jackson,

Included with this cover are the responses to the Request for Information Pursuant to Section 104 of CERCLA. Smokey Mountain Smelters Site.

The Request was addressed to David Witherspoon, but the investor was:

David Witherspoon Jr.

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These answers are on behalf of David A. Witherspoon Jr.

1. Smokey Mountain Smelters started in 1979 I was an investor in Smokey Mountain Smelters and it's land from 1979-1984 when I sold my stock and land share to Dan Johnson. Smokey Mountain Smelters was a corporation, I did not work for Smokey Mountain Smelters and as an investor had no knowledge or input of day to day operations.
2. a. Smokey Mountain Smelters ran a sweat furnace.
Rotary Furnace, Inc. was to process dross, aluminum turning and aluminum cans.
b. Rotary Furnace, Inc. used salt to process dross. Smokey Mountain Smelters sweated the aluminum from the other material.
c. I do not have that information.
d. I do not have that information.
3. I am unaware of any documents referenced in Question 3.
4. a. Smokey Mountain Smelters was a C corporation
b. I have no information pertaining to this question.
c. I have no information pertaining to this question.
5. I did not work for Smokey Mountain Smelters and as an investor had no knowledge or input of day to day operations. To the best of my knowledge the salt cake was sent to a landfill for disposal.
6. All salt cake was sent to landfill to the best of my knowledge, the dross was recycled.
7. I did not work for Smokey Mountain Smelters and as an investor had no knowledge or input of day to day operations. I do know where the temporary on-site storage for processing was located.
8. I did not work for Smokey Mountain Smelters and as an investor had no knowledge or input of day to day operations.
9. I did not work for Smokey Mountain Smelters and as an investor had no knowledge or input of day to day operations.
10. All material was received for recycling only.
11. Dan Johnson; Gene the bookkeeper, Fred Russel the foreman.
12. Their office burned in the 1990's, I do now know where any other records might be located.
13. There should have been a General Liability Policy, but as an investor I didn't have access to this information.
14. a. This information was never in my possession.
b. The office burned in the 1990's
c. I do not have knowledge of the type of information contained in the documents.
d. Dan Johnson would have been responsible for maintaining all documents. He is deceased.
e. N/A
15. N/A
16. I sold my interest in the land & stock to Dan Johnson in 1984. I was an investor only, and did not take an operational role in the corporation.

17. When Rotary Furnace, Inc. was started I was an investor; after seven months it was sold to Smokey Mountain Smelters.

Rotary Furnace, Inc. started as a separate business performing a different process but was located on Smokey Mountain Smelters property. Seven months after start-up it was bought out by Smokey Mountain Smelters. The termination of my involvement occurred at this time. Smokey Mountain Smelters bought out all the investors of Rotary Furnace.